

STAGE 1 FIRE RESTRICTIONS
GRAND MESA, UNCOMPAHGRE AND GUNNISON NATIONAL FORESTS

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50 (a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited on all National Forest System lands, roads and trails within the Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison National Forest(s) located in Mesa, Delta, Montrose, Ouray, San Miguel, Hinsdale, Saguache, San Juan, Garfield and Gunnison Counties, State of Colorado ("the Restricted Area") and on all roads and trails located within the Restricted Area ("the Restricted Roads and Trails"). The Restricted Area is depicted on the attached map, hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A. This Order is necessary to protect public health and safety.

PROHIBITIONS:

- 1) Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire, coal- or wood-burning stove fire, any type of charcoal-fueled broiler or open fire of any type. 36 CFR § 261.52(a)

EXCEPT: Fires are allowed in constructed, permanent fire pits or fire grates within developed recreation sites and petroleum-fueled stoves, lanterns, or heating devices that meet the fire underwriters' specifications for safety. Fires that are maintained or attended within a device that has a spark arrestor or where the fire is fully enclosed within a screen at all times are allowed.

- 2) Smoking. 36 CFR § 261.52(c)

EXCEPT: within an enclosed vehicle or building, in a developed recreation site or while stopped in an area at least 3 feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable material.

- 3) Operating or using any internal combustion engine without a spark arresting device properly installed, maintained and in effective working order meeting either:

- a. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service Standard 5100-1a; or
- b. Appropriate Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) recommended practice J335(b) and J350(a). 36 C.F.R. § 261.52(j).

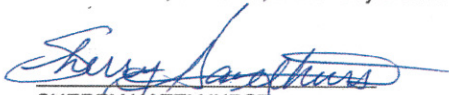
EXEMPTIONS:

Pursuant to 36 CFR § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from specified Prohibitions of this order:

- 1. Persons with a Forest Service issued permit specifically authorizing the prohibited act or omission are exempt from Prohibitions #1 and #3.
- 2. Any Federal, State or local officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty is exempt from Prohibitions #1 and #3.
- 3. Resident owners and lessees of land and holders of Forest Service Special Use authorizations for recreation residences, lodges and resorts, within the restricted area are exempt from Prohibition #1, provided such fires are within a permanently constructed residence or building.

This Order shall be in effect at midnight, June 6, 2012 and will remain in force until rescinded, or December 31, 2012, whichever event occurs first. This order supersedes Order GMUG-2012-03.

Done at Delta, Colorado, this 6th day of June 2012.



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Violations of these regulations is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor, by a fine of not more than \$5000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months or both. 16 U.S.C. § 551, and 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559 and 3571.

Forest and County Fire Restrictions

